

## DESTINY BAY

## Destinae

2021

Estate Bottled Wine of New Zealand 37% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Franc, 12% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot

Grown, Produced and Bottled By Destiny Bay Wines 379 Gordons Road, Waiheke Island

Vintage Detail: A mild winter made for an early start to the season followed by an exceptionally dry and warm flowering and fruitset. Veraison to harvest had optimal rainfall before a warm dry period led to an early harvest. Vinified Tonnage/Acre: 2.0 - 2.2 tonnes Maturation: ~12 months in 60% French Oak & 40% American Oak Cooperage: 40% new barrels, 60% 1-2 year barrels Cases Produced: ~560 Alcohol: 14.5%

## WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES:

Concentrated dark fruit aromatics pop out of the glass with notes of blackberry and blackcurrant while plum and cherry lurk underneath. The wine reveals peppery Cabernet typicity with graphite, floral notes and incense. Deeply coloured, this Destinae shows excellent concentration, yet is still sweet and plump. This particular vintage feels like it leans more towards California than Bordeaux. The slightly higher percentage of French Oak this year provides some drive and sweetness while the American Oak supports a lush and long finish. While a structured and brooding Destinae, it still has an inviting quality similar to 2015 and 2019.

ENJOY FROM: 4-12+ years from vintage.